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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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(if known, see 37 CFR 1.52)**10/534032**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

**PCT/JP2003/003431**

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

March 20, 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

November 8, 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

**DRY AGGREGATE MIXTURE, METHOD OF FOUNDRY MOLDING USING DRY  
AGGREGATE MIXTURE AND CASTING CORE**

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Applicant(s) herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☐ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed with the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☒ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☒ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☒ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☒ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98
12. ☒ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
15. ☐ A Substitute specification.
16. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821-1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application 35 U.S.C. 154 (d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information:
  - a. ☒ Copy of cover page of International Publication No. **WO 2004/041460 A1**
  - b. ☐ Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements.
  - c. ☐

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21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY	
<b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)):</b> <b>\$300.00</b>					
National Stage Search Fee.....\$500.00					
National Stage Examination Fee.....\$200.00					
<b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>				<b>\$1000.00</b>	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (e)).				<b>\$</b>	
<b>CLAIMS</b>	<b>NUMBER FILED</b>	<b>NUMBER EXTRA</b>	<b>RATE</b>		
Total Claims	27	- 20 =	7	x \$50.00	\$ 350.00
Independent Claims	4	- 3 =	1	x \$200.00	\$ 200.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)				+ \$360.00	\$ 360.00
<b>TOTAL OF THE ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				<b>\$1910.00</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.				<b>\$</b>	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				<b>\$1910.00</b>	
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				<b>\$</b>	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				<b>1910.00</b>	
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property.				<b>\$ 40.00</b>	
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				<b>\$1950.00</b>	
				Amount to be refunded:	<b>\$</b>
				charged:	<b>\$</b>
<p>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ <u>1950.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed.</p> <p>b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0916</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.</p> <p>d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING:</b> Information on this form may become public. <b>Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p>					
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.					
<p><b>SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:</b>          Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett &amp; Dunner, L.L.P.          901 New York Avenue, N.W.          Washington, D.C. 20001-4413</p>					
<p><b>DATED:</b> May 6, 2005</p>				<p>          SIGNATURE          Ernest F. Chapman, Reg. No. 25,961          NAME/REGISTRATION NO.</p>	